(c) if not, have the Government noted that most of these vehicles are driven rashly without keeping the side as required by the rules ?

Khan Sahib Y. M. Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Com missioner of Police):*

(a) Yes.

(b) From the payment of fees, taking out of permits, maintenance of goods vehicles records in respect of Goods Vehicles, etc.

(c) No.

REVISING SALARIES OF OFFICERS

445. Mr. K. T. Achuthan *(Ezhuvas-Talapalli):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(a) whether there were revision of salaries of clerks and other officers in the Transferred Departments in the years of 1118, 1119 and 1120 M.E. ;

(b) if the answer to (a) is in the affirmative, state, the names and community of those officers and clerks, and the old and revised salaries of those officers and clerks and the posts to which they now belong ?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):*

(a) Yes.

(b) A list is placed on the Council table.

KOOTHALA ROAD

446. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Will Government be pleased to give.—

(a) a more detailed answer to sub-division (j) of short notice question No. 120 A answered on 8th December 1944;

(b) the extent of lands proposed to be acquired—

i. in 1114

ii. in 1119 Meenam

iii. after the inspection of the Diwan Peishkar and according to the report referred to in answer to sub-division (m) in question No. 120 A referred to in (a) above;

(c) the cost report in each case referred to in (b) above ;

(d) copy of the report of the Panchayat Assistant Engineer and Director of Panchayats in connection with the land acquisition proceedings of this Koothala road affair—notified in the Gazette in Meenam 1119 ?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):*

(a) *i.* The sketch showing the lands freely surrendered by people in 1109 cannot be supplied as the files concerned have peen destroyed.

ii. and *iii.* A sketch is placed on the Council table the portions marked red together with that marked in ink show the portions proposed to be acquired and abandoned in 1114. The portion marked in ink is the portion proposed to be acquired after inspection by the Diwan Peishkar.

(b) *i.* 16·48 cents

ii. 7¾ cents.

iii. 6 5/8 cents.

(c) *i.* Rs. 150.

ii. Rs. 90.

iii. Rs. 92—3—5.

(d) There was no special report by the Assistant Engineer or by the Director of Panchayats. There was only the usual report as in all land acquisition cases to Government by the Director of Public Health and Panchayats. A copy of his report D. 5951/18, dated 10th May 1943 is placed on the Council Table.

STAFF SELECTION BOARD

447. Mr. K. T. Achyutan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(a) what is the number of the new appointments made in the Income-tax Department in the year 1120, the grades of those appointments and the names of those persons ;

(b) why the Staff Selection Board did not make any or all those appointments ;

(c) for what purpose was the Staff Selection Board constituted and what was it functioning ;

(d) what is the limit of the grade of pay up to which the Staff Selection Board can make appointments ?

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Rama Varmha Tampuran, M.B.E. *(Secretary to Government):*

(*a*) The statement containing the information is appended (*Appendix V.*)

(*b*) No. 1 in the list does not fall within the purview of the Staff Selection Board. All the other appointments except Nos. 2 to 5 were made by the Staff Selection Board. The appointments on Rs. 60—100 referred to in (*a*) above were made by Government. They being of a technical nature, the Income-tax Commissioner was consulted and he submitted an exhaustive and self contained report. As explained in answer to the supplementary questions on Question No. 99 of the Legislative Council Meeting on 7th December 1944. Government thought that it would be better that the proposals of the Income-tax Commissioner are accepted "enbloc" with sufficient safeguards regarding claims of communities that might be affected thereby.

(*c*) The aims and objects with which the Staff Selection Board was constituted were to ensure adequate and equitable representation for all communities in the public services of the State.

(*d*) All appointments, the initial salary of which is below Rs. 100 are within the purview of the Staff Selection Board subject to certain exceptions and reservations.

CAR—SALE OF—COMMISSIONER OF POLICE

448. Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Mulakunnathukavu):* Will Government be pleased to state in continuation of the answer kindly given to question No. 206 and as supplemental thereto.—

(*a*) when the car owned previously by the officer, *viz.*, the Commissioner of Police was sold by him;

(*b*) whether the purchaser is a Cochinite or a Britisher;

(*c*) is the car in Cochin State now;

(*d*) if answer to (*c*) is in the negative will they please state when the car left the State and when its registration in Cochin was cancelled;

(*e*) the date on which new tyres were supplied to this car that was sold and the number of tyres that was supplied (*i.e.* how many);

(*f*) was the car sold with the new tyres supplied;

(*g*) what was the period of leave which this officer had applied for;

(*h*) what is the duration of "LONG LEAVE" as contemplated by Government?

Rama Varmha Tampuran, M.B.E. *(Secretary to Government):*

(*a*) On 27th February 1944.

(*b*) He is a Britisher.

(*c*) No information.

(*d*) No information. The registration in Cochin was cancelled on 3rd May 1944.

(*e*)

Date	*Tyre*	*Tube*
12— 1—1944	1	1
19—12—1943	1	nil
3— 8—1943	1	nil
21— 6—1943	nil	2
26— 5—1943	2	nil

(*f*) The car was sold with the tyres.

(*g*) 4 months.

(*h*) Long leave is of several kinds. The duration of each kind of leave varies with the nature of the leave and in some cases the length of service, etc. The Commissioner was granted 4 months leave this time.

STOPPING OF WORK OF CERTAIN TILE WORKS

449. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether St. John Tile Works, St. Joseph's Union Tile Works, Holy Family Tile Works, I. J. Tile Works St. Mary's, and Sacred Heart Tile Works stopped work for more than 3 months. If so, the reasons for stopping the work. The total number of labourers who were working in these factories;

(*b*) how many tile factories were closed this year in the State;

(*c*) have the Government made enquires as regards the causes that led to the closing of these factories?

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APPENDIX IV C

(Vide answer to sub-division (h) to question No. 431)

Serial No.	*Work*	*Date of execution of agreement*
1	Chira in Pathazhakundu, Mundathikode Panchayat ..	10—10—1118
2	Olichi chira, Desamangalam Panchayat ..	30— 9—1118
3	Sluice in Kulithodu, Cheruthuruthi Panchayat ..	
4	Kotharachira, Cllukara Panchayat ..	26— 3—1119
5	Kachithoduchira, do. ..	do.
6	Sluice in Mnalur, Mundathikode Panchayat ..	5—12—1119
7	Sluice, Kadavallur Panchayat ..	1— 8—1119
8	Chathanchira, Kumaranellur ..	9— 8—1119
9	Chattukulam, Arthat Panchayat ..	14— 8—1119
10	Tank in Sy. 335/1 of Mnalur, Mundathikode Panchayat ..	

APPENDIX V

(Vide answer to question No. 447)

Statement showing the number of new appointments made in the Income-Tax Department in the year 1120; the grades of those appointments and the names of those persons.

Serial No.	*Names of candidates*	*Grades of pay*
1	Mr. A. Sreedhara Menon ..	100—150
2	Mr. A. Sreedhara Menon ..	60—100
3	Mr. K. Narayana Menon ..	60—100
4	Mr. P. Raghava Menon ..	60—100
5	Mr. T. C. Xavier ..	60—100
6	Miss V. K. Suseela ..	25— 60
7	P. T. Thommachan ..	20
8	A. J. James ..	20
9	C. M. Samsudeen ..	20
10	K. U. Vasundhara ..	20
11	P. R. Sivaraman Ezhuthassan ..	20
12	P. K. Karuppan ..	20

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